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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LEES

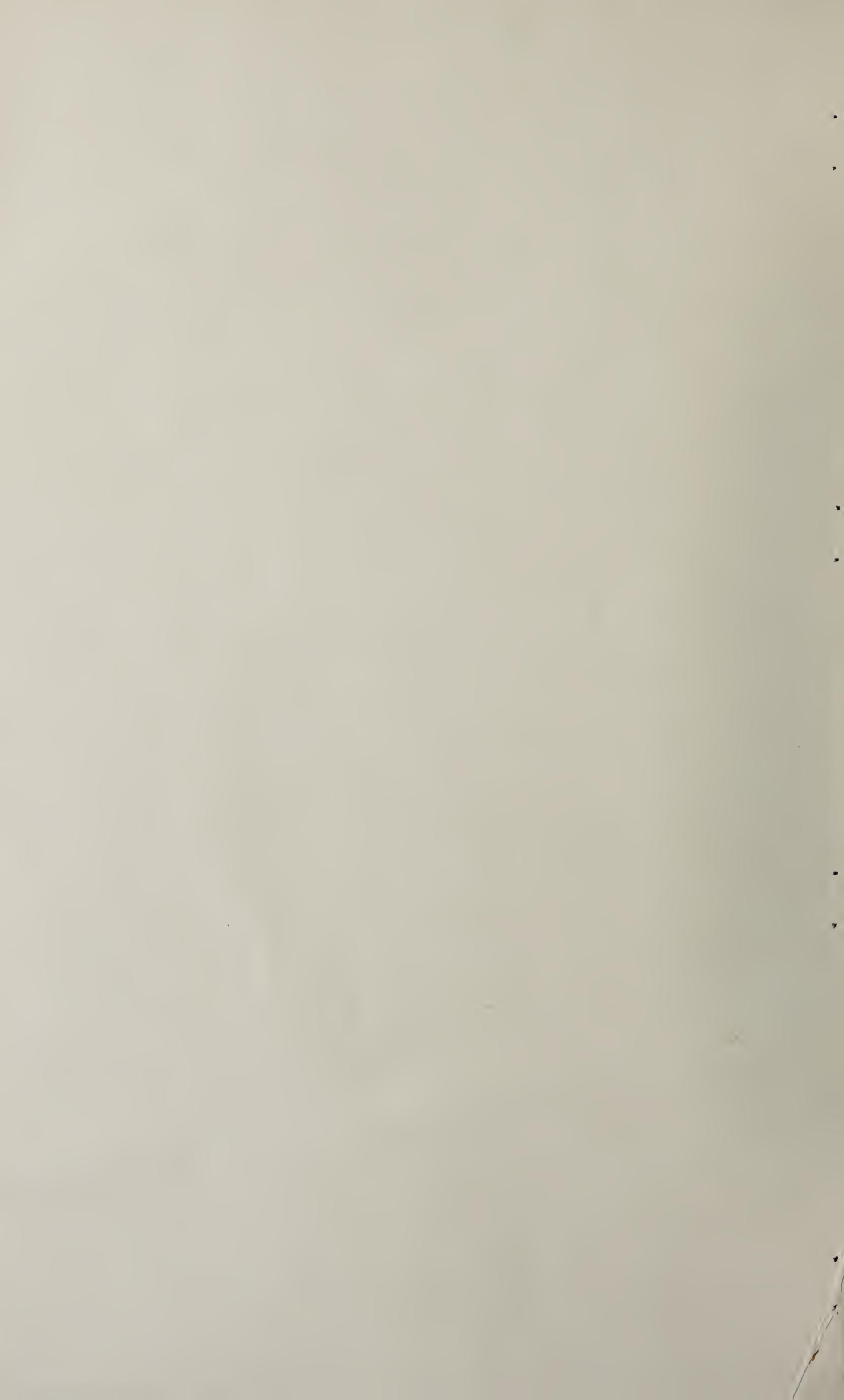
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THE  
ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
AND  
SANITARY INSPECTOR



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COUNCIL OFFICES,  
CROSS STREET,  
LEES,  
NR. OLDHAM,  
LANCASHIRE



LLES URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

1955 - 1956.

Chairman of the Council.

Councillor H. Hirst, J.P.

HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Councillor	J. Barker.	Chairman.
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"	F. Ward.	
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Clerk of the Council.

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Medical Officer of Health (part time).

T. P. O'GRADY, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.H.

Sanitary Inspector.

G. OAKES C.R.S.I.

Pupil Sanitary Inspector.

N.H. MORTON.  
from 3rd October, 1955.



1955.

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Council Offices,  
Cross Street,  
L E E S.  
Nr. Oldham.

To the Chairman and Members of the Urban District Council of Lees.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Once again I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report on the health of the district.

Tables showing statistical details of births, deaths and causes of death, and the incidence of infectious diseases during the year, are given in the body of the report. While caution must be exercised in drawing any conclusions from such figures in relation to a small population, it is safe to say that nothing seriously wrong is revealed. Indeed, it is satisfying, to say the least, to note that only one infant death occurred and that during the year no death resulted from the notifiable infectious diseases.

Measles and dysentery were the two most frequent notifiable infections. The latter disease was prevalent over a wide area and its control presents extreme difficulties. Although usually mild, and rarely fatal, the total effect of widespread infections can be very great, both as regards the amount of illness and also the disorganisation of industry. The essential measure of protection is the adoption by the general public of strict attention to personal hygiene - particularly in respect of "clean hands".

The chief causes of death were heart and circulatory diseases cancer, and diseases of the respiratory system, which together accounted for 52 out of the total of 58 deaths (76%). While to a large extent, this is a reflection of the increasing number of the population in the older age-groups, an ever-increasing accumulation of evidence points to the importance of other possible factors such as atmospheric pollution and tobacco smoking.

Only six new houses were available for re-housing during the year. While it must be conceded that your Council is faced with considerable difficulties both as regards finance and land availability, nevertheless, it is hoped that vigorous efforts will be made to make a start with the slum clearance plans - delay will likely increase rather than decrease the problems.

At the same time, I would like to express my appreciation of your action during the year in offering accommodation to a family when no legitimate reason other than the medico-social one of preventing the break-up of a family unit could be put forward. Your action might well commend itself to large authorities.

Regarding the Personal Health Services administered by the Lancashire County Council, while the people are well served by midwifery, home nursing and health visiting services, one regrets that the small population does not allow of improved clinic facilities for the children, especially the school children. The main purpose of such clinics is Health Education, and such education does not confer any direct and obvious financial reward or material gain, it must be brought to the people rather than expect the people to travel to it.



Finally, Mr. Chairman, I thank you and the members of your Committee for your unfailing courtesy and co-operation throughout the year. Once again, I acknowledge gratefully the ever-willing and unstinted help given by Mr. Oakes, and I thank Mr. Cropper, Clerk of the Council, for his willing co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

T.P. O'GRADY.

Medical Officer of Health.

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G E N E R A L S T A T I S T I C S.

Area in Acres.....	288
Population (preliminary census 1951).....	4160
Registrar - General's estimated resident population mid-1955.....	4100
Number of inhabited houses according to Rate Books.....	1524
Rateable Value.....	£23,014.
Sum represented by a Penny Rate.....	£90

V I T A L S T A T I S T I C S.

The main vital statistics for the year, after correction for inward and outward transfers, as furnished by the Registrar-General are given in Table 1.



T A B L E 1.

	Total.	Male.	Female.
Live Births (legitimate).....	58	24	34
" " (illegitimate).....	1	1	-
	59	25	34
Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated population... (Crude 14.4 ... (Adjusted 16.0			
	Total.	Male.	Female.
Still Births.....	1	1	-
Rate per 1,000 of total (live and still) Births.....	17		
	Total	Male.	Female.
Deaths.....	68	38	30
Death rate per 1,000 of estimated population, , , , , (Crude... 16.6 .....(Adjusted.. 15.9			
Deaths from Puerperal causes..... (Puerperal & Post-abortive Sepsis..... 0 (Other Maternal causes.. 0			
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 total births.			
Infant Mortality:-			
	Under 1 year.		
	M.	F.	
Total Number of Deaths registered 0	1		1
Rate per 1,000 live births.....			17
Neo-Natal Mortality.			
	Under 4 weeks.		
	M.	F.	
Number of deaths registered 0	1		1
Rate per 1,000 live births.....			17
Chief Causes of Death (all ages.).			
Deaths from Cancer.....			6
Deaths from Diseases of the Heart and Circulatory System.....			42
Deaths from Bronchitis.....			14



RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION.

Per 1,000 of estimated Population.

<u>L E E S.</u>	Live Birth Rate	Crude Death Rate	Death rate from Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	Death Rate from Cancer.
Mean of 5 years, 1950-1954.	14.1	14.1	0.20	1.77
Year.....1954.....	13.7	15.9	0.24	1.7
1955.....	14.4	16.6	0.24	1.46
Increase or decrease in 1955 on 5 years average	+0.3	+2.5	+0.04	-0.31
Previous year.....	+0.7	+2.7	Nil	-0.34

Per 1,000 Live Births.

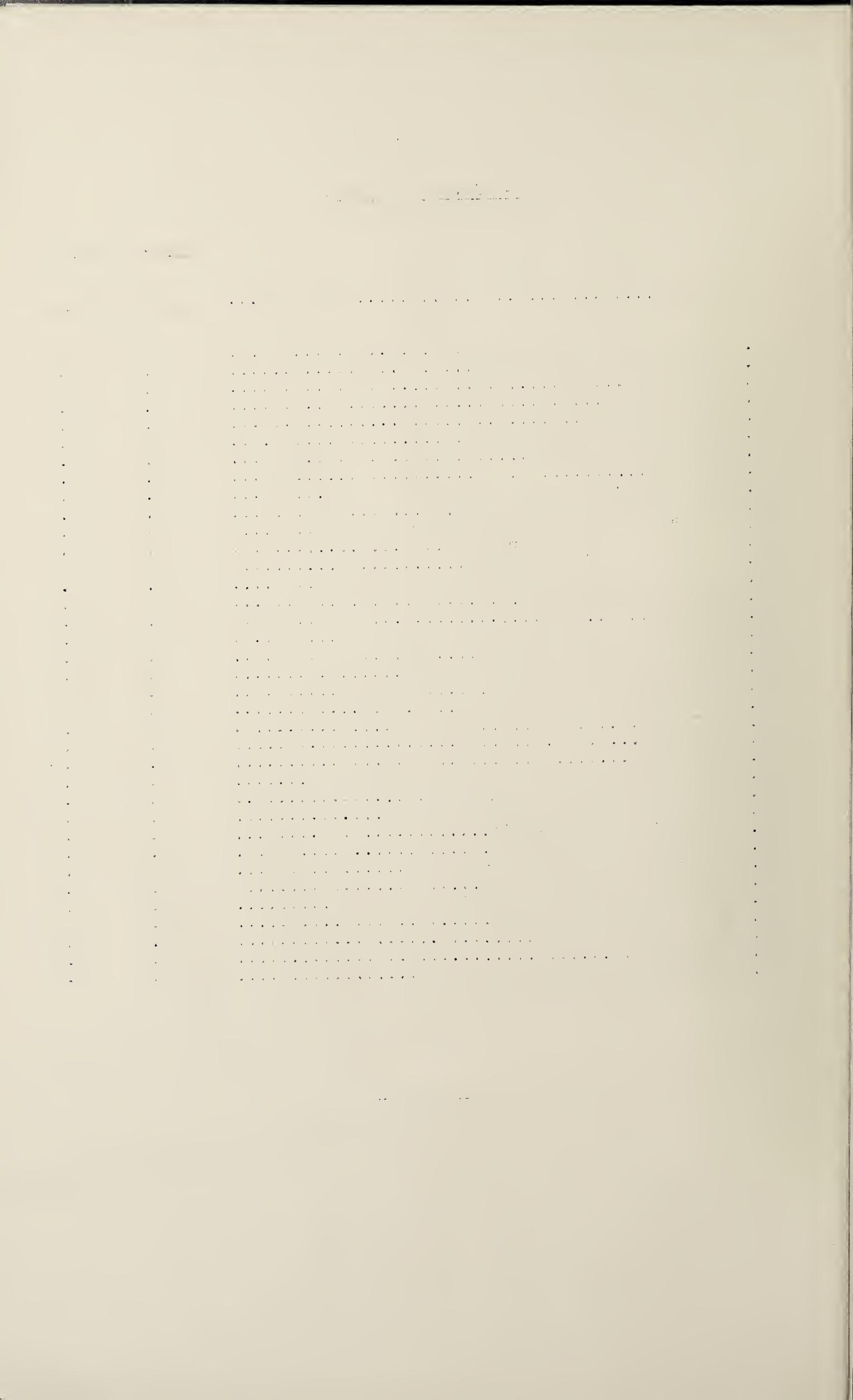
Maternal mortality Rate Infant Mortality.

<u>L E E S.</u>	Live Births	Live and Still Births	Total Rate	Neo-Natal Rate.
Mean of 5 years, 1950-1954.	Nil	Nil	37	28
Year.....1954.....	Nil	Nil	36	36
Year.....1955.....	Nil	Nil	17	17
Increase or decrease in 1955 on 5 years average, 1950-1954....	Nil	Nil	-20	-11
Previous Year.....	Nil	Nil	-19	-19

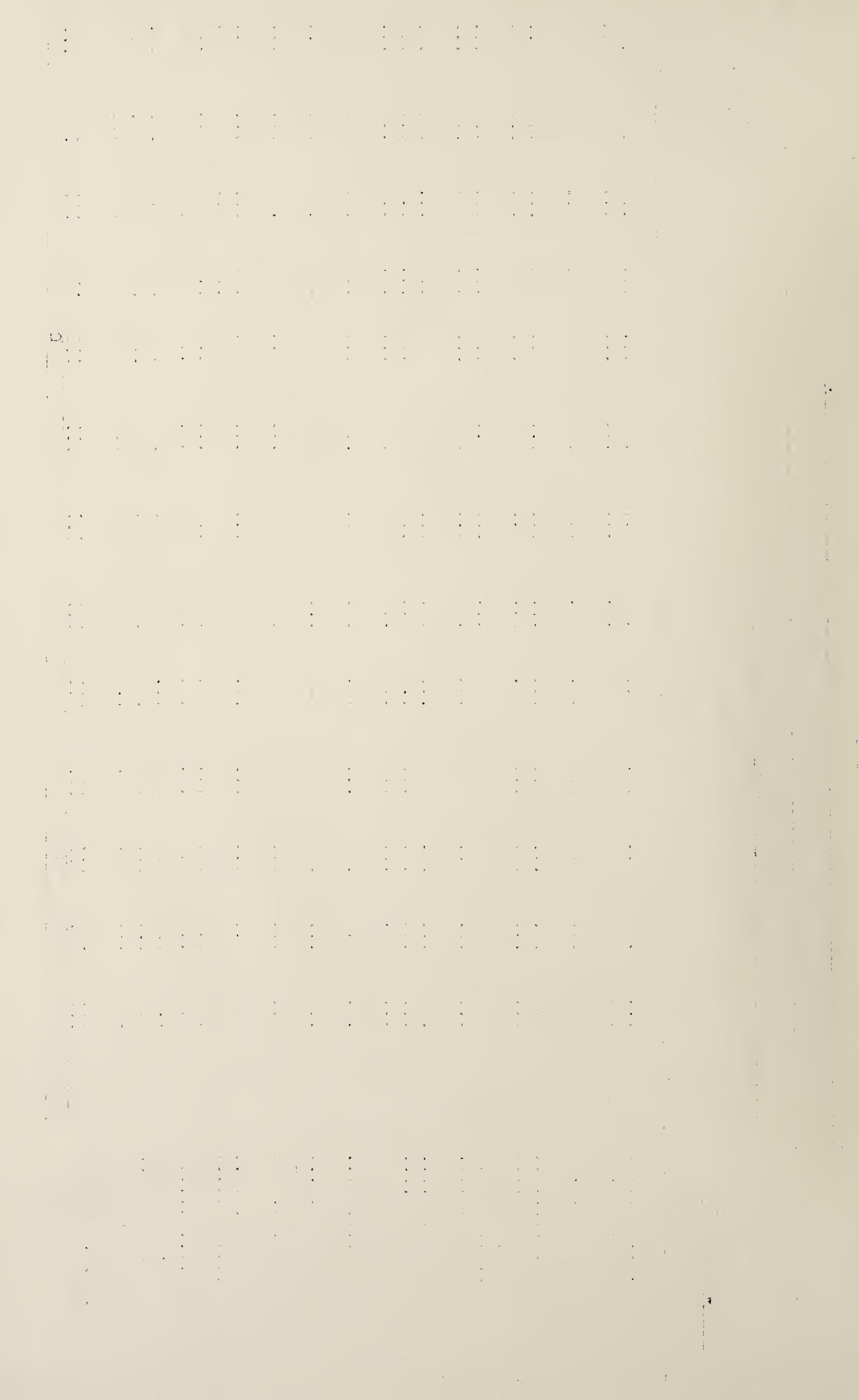


2 - CAUSES OF DEATH.

	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
All causes.....Total	68...	38
30		
1. Tuberculosis respiratory.....	2.	0.
2. " other forms.....	0.	0.
3. Syphilitic.....	0.	0.
4. Diphtheria.....	0.	0.
5. Whooping Cough.....	0.	0.
6. Meningo-coccal infections.....	0.	0.
7. Acute poliomyelitis.....	0.	0.
8. Measles.....	0.	0.
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases.....	0.	1.
10. Malignant neoplasm stomach.....	1.	1.
11. " " lung, bronchus.....	0.	1.
12. " " breast.....	0.	0.
13. " " uterus.....	0.	0.
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms.....	2.	1.
15. Leukaemia Aleukaemia.....	0.	0.
16. Diabetes.....	0.	0.
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system.....	2.	7.
18. Coronary disease, angina.....	11.	3.
19. Hypertension with heart disease.....	2.	1.
20. Other heart diseases.....	4.	7.
21. Other circulatory disease.....	2.	3.
22. Influenza.....	0.	0.
23. Pneumonia.....	1.	0.
24. Bronchitis.....	2.	2.
25. Other diseases of respiratory system.....	2.	0.
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum.....	0.	0.
27. Gastritis enteritis and diarrhoea.....	0..	0.
28. Nephritis and nephrosis.....	1.	0.
29. Hyperplasia of prostate.....	1.	0.
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.....	0.	0.
31. Congenital malformations.....	0.	0.
32. Other defined and ill defined diseases.....	3.	2.
33. Motor vehicle accidents.....	0.	0.
34. All other accidents.....	0.	1.
35. Suicide.....	2.	0.
36. Homicide and operations of war.....	0.	0.



DISEASES	Total cases at all ages.	AGE	TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED						Hospital
			0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	
Small Pox.....	0	•••	•••	5	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Scarlet Fever.....	14	•••	•••	3	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Diphtheria including membranous croup.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Interic Fever, excluding Paratyphoid.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Paratyphoid Fever.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Measles excl. German Measles.....	29	•••	3	10	10	5	1	•••	
Whooping Cough.....	1	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Acute Pneumonia & pleurisy	7	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	1	
Anc influenza.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Meningococcal Infection.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Acute poliomyelitis - paralytic.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
" non-paralytic.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Acute encephalitis - infective.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Acute encephalitis - post infective.....	0	•••	1	3	4	9	2	1	
Dysentery.....	28	•••	1	3	4	9	2	1	
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Erysipelas.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Malaria con. in this country	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Malaria con. abroad.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Food Poisoning.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Any others notifiable in dist. & case.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Any other disease.....	0	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	
Total cases at all ages.	16	•••	16	19	19	20	14	14	0
Total Deaths known to Hospital	5	•••	5	6	6	7	6	6	0
Total Deaths removed in Hospital	5	•••	5	6	6	7	6	6	0



NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING 1955.  
Tuberculosis

Age periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-1.....								
1-2.....								
2-5.....								
5-10....								
10-15...								
15-20...								
20-25...	2							
25-35...								
35-45...						1		
45-55...	1	1						
55-65...								
65-75...								
75 & upwards.								
Totals	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
	4		0	0	1		0	0

Disinfection after Infectious Diseases.

Number of houses disinfected during 1955.....11  
Disinfectant used FORMALIN and SULPHUR DIOXIDE.....

DISINFESTATION.	Council houses	Other houses
Number of houses found infested	2	4
Number of houses disinfested.	2	4

Methods used:- Formaldehyde gas.



#### GENERAL PROVISION OF PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES.

These services are administered by the Lancashire County Council and for this purpose, Lees forms part of Health Division No. 14. The Medical Officer of Health is also Divisional Medical Officer and the address of the Divisional Office is "Tylon", Middleton Road West, Chadderton, Telephone number MAIN 6251/2.

#### Maternal and Child Health Services.

One midwife Mrs. E. Horwood, 70, Spring Lane, Lees, Telephone number MAIN 3993, is employed to serve the district and ante-natal clinics are held at the Princess Street Methodist School on the afternoons of the second and fourth Monday in each month. The Health Visitors and School Nurses serving the Failsworth part of the Division also serve Lees, and Child Welfare Clinics are held on Wednesday afternoons at the Princess Street Methodist School.

Welfare foods such as National Dried Milk, Cod Liver Oil, Orange Juice etc., are now available at the Child Welfare sessions.

No school clinic facilities are available in Lees and children attend at the clinic at Firs Hall, Failsworth.

#### Ambulance Service.

This service is now administered by the Lancashire County Council and Lees district is served from the County Ambulance Station at Mossley, which is in Health Division No. 17.

#### Home Help Service.

Home Helps are available for emergency, priority being given to maternity cases and the elderly sick. The services of a Home Help can be obtained on application to the Divisional Medical Officer and a charge is made for this service, according to the means of the applicant.

#### Home Nursing Service.

A full time district nurse is employed in Lees, Mrs. F. Knight, 80, Thomas Street, Lees, Telephone Number MAIN 5668.

#### Hospital Services.

Hospitals available for the residents of Lees are:-

General & Maternity cases - Oldham & District General Hospital.  
Infectious Diseases - Westhulme Hospital, Oldham.



Tuberculosis.

All cases suspected of tuberculosis are now referred to the Chest Clinic at the Oldham and District General Hospital. Special health visitors are engaged in the follow-up of cases and the tracing of contacts.

Welfare Services.

Residential accommodation for those in need of care and attention is available at Oldham and District General Hospital Annexe, or at one of the three hostels within the Division.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948. Section 47.

Number of applications made during the year 1955.	0
Number of orders made.....	0



REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR AND CLEANSING  
SUPERINTENDENT.

Health Department,  
Council Offices,  
Cross Street,  
LEES.

Nr. Oldham.

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report upon the Sanitary Administration of the District and the work done during the year 1955.

In accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government, an Housing Survey of the District was carried out and a scheme prepared of the Slum Clearance proposals.

This scheme envisages a building programme to be carried out simultaneously otherwise the Housing Problem of the District is likely to be aggravated over the future years.

Further details of the work accomplished during the year are given in the following pages, therefore I take this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation to all Members and Officials of the Council also to the staff for the co-operation and assistance I have received during the year.

Yours faithfully,

G. OAKES.

Sanitary Inspector.



## SANITARY ADMINISTRATION.

### WATER SUPPLY.

There is an efficient supply of water of good quality provided from the Oldham Corporation Waterworks for the whole district.

Action taken in respect of any form of contamination.

Filtration and Chlorination takes place at the source and tests are carried out by the Oldham County Borough.

No cases of lead contamination have been notified.

6 new houses built by the Council were supplied with water.

### RIVER AND STREAMS.

The River Medlock flows along the Western boundary of the District. Two other streams converge on the Eastern boundary and join the River Medlock at the South West part of the District at Holts.

### SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE.

Sewerage of the whole of the district is conveyed to the sewers of the Oldham County Borough - the flow being checked by Lea Recorders - and is treated at their Outfall works at Slack's Valley.

All drains are examined before being covered in, and smoke or water tests applied where applicable.

### CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

Privy Middens.....	0
Pail Closets.....	0
Dry Ash Pits.....	0
Movable Ashbins.....	1498
Trough Closets.....	0
Waste Water Closets.....	60
Fresh Water Closets.....	1537
Number of houses on water carriage system.....	1524

### Conversions during 1955.

Number of Trough closets to fresh W.C.'s.....	0
" Waste " " " " .....	4
Number of houses at which movable ashbins were substituted for fixed receptacles.....	0

### SCAVENGING AND REMOVAL OF HOUSE REFUSE.

This is carried out satisfactorily by the Sanitary authority by weekly collection and a salvage scheme is operated. Refuse is collected weekly by motor vehicle and disposed of by partially controlled tipping at the Council tips at Tumbling Bank and old sewage works. Approximately 1400 tons of refuse were removed.

The Council since 19th September, 1951 have operated a scheme for the provision and maintenance of Dustbins as a charge upon the General Rate Fund. During 1955 84 Dustbins were provided.



Sanitary Inspections during 1955.  
including Houses.

During the year 878 premises were visited of which 325 were dwelling houses and 553 various other premises.

In the course of these inspections 104 defects or nuisances were found and 90 were abated.

To secure the abatement of these defects and nuisances 67 informal and 21 formal notices were served upon the owners or agents in addition to personal interviews by the Sanitary Inspector.

SCHOOLS.

There are four day-schools and one private school in the District. The sanitary condition of the W.C. and lavatory accommodation at the schools within the District is fair, in two cases the accommodation is obsolete and requires attention. All the schools are supplied with water from the district mains.

SHOP ACT, 1950.

There are 91 shops in the district, which were visited at least twice during the year.

SMOKE ABATEMENT.

One lead peroxide gauge fixed at the Cemetery forms part of the joint Regional Scheme formed by seventeen Local Authorities to investigate atmospheric pollution.

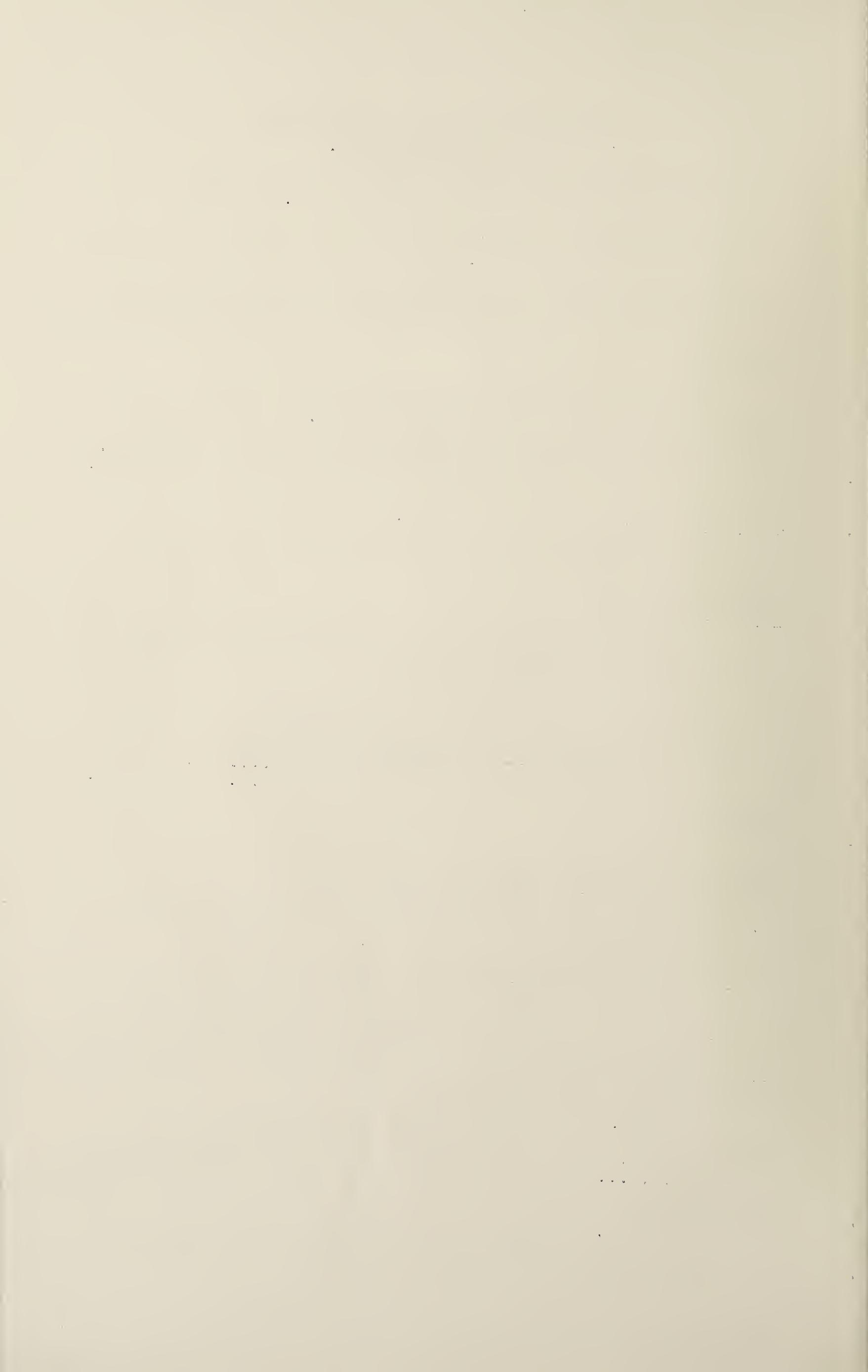
Number of Factory chimneys in the district	9
Time limit allowed, and for what period, for black smoke emission	4 min./hour for each working boiler.
No. of observations taken during the year.....	3
No. of legal proceedings and results.....	NIL.

FACTORIES.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE FACTORIES ACTS, 1937.

1. Inspections for the purposes of provisions as to health including inspection made by Sanitary Inspector.

Premises	Number on Register	Inspections	Number of written notices	Prosecutions
Factories with mech. power....	24	55		
without mech. power.....	3	8		
Other premises under the Act..	1	7		
Total.....	28	70		



ADMINISTRATION OF THE FACTORIES ACTS, 1937.

2. Defects found.

<u>Particulars.</u>	<u>Number Found</u>	<u>of Defects Remedied</u>	<u>Rep. to H.M. Insp.</u>	<u>No. of Prosecutions.</u>
Want of cleanliness.....	4	4		
Overcrowding.....				
Unreasonable temperature..				
Inadequate ventilation....				
Ineffective drainage of floors				
Sanitary conveniences.				
{a) insufficient.				
{b} Unsuitable or defective.				
{c) not separate for sexes.				
Other offences against the Act.				
Totals	4	4	-	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY.

Action taken with regard to the administration of the Milk and Dairies Acts and Regulations,

The Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949.

Number of registered distributors from:-

a. Own dairies in the district (shops).....	24
b. Dairy farms in the district.....	2
c. Premises outside the district.....	7

The Milk (Special Designations) (Raw Milk) Regulations 1949.

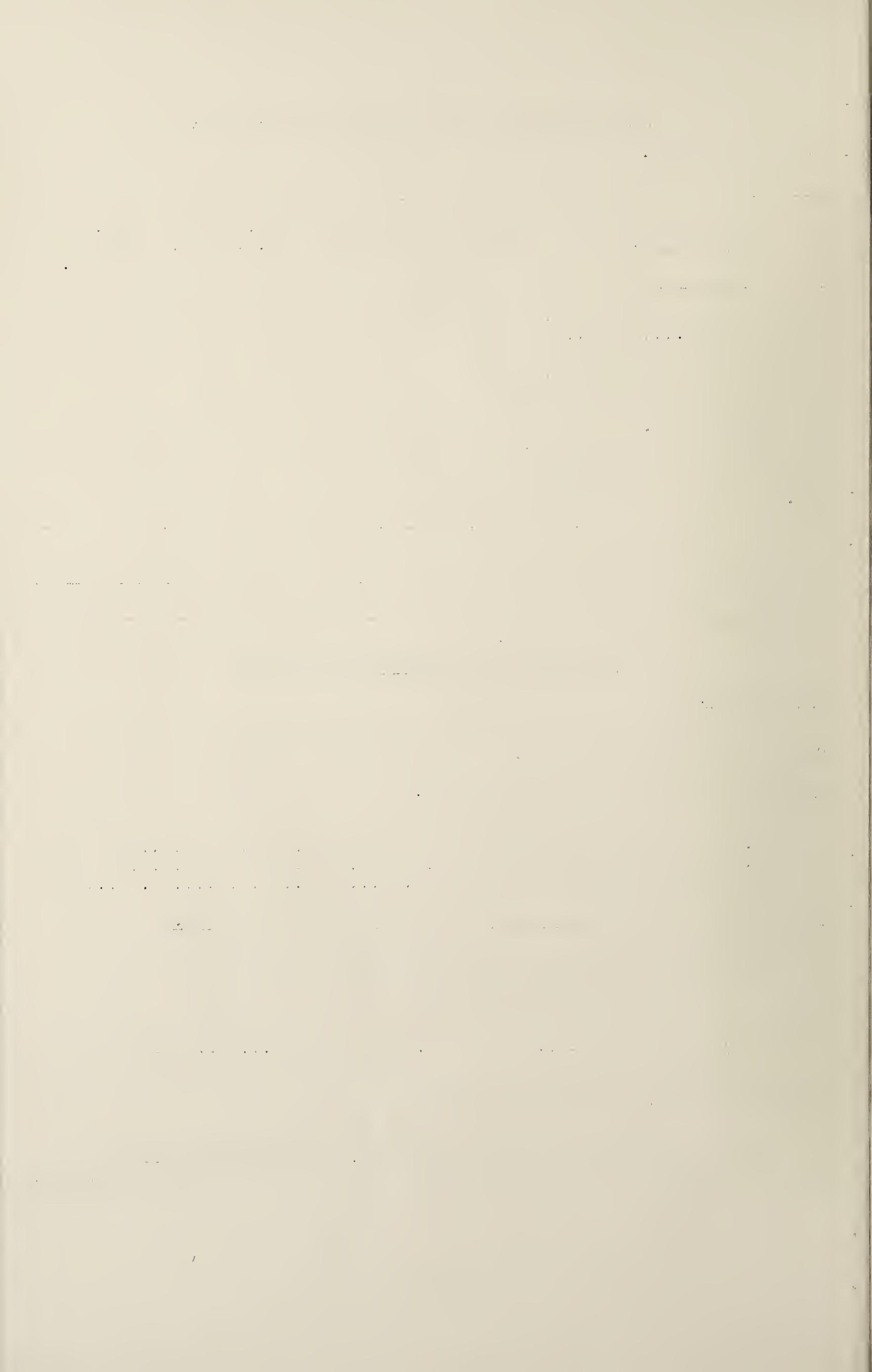
Number of dealers licences (including supplementary) issued by the Local Authority during 1955 in respect of:-

"Tuberculin Tested" Milk.

(1.) Bottling.....	0	(11.) Distribution.....	0
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The Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations 1949.

Number of licenses issued in respect of "Heat treated Milk"  
Retail Distributors: (a) Pasteurised...7 (b) Sterilised... 19  
Action taken by Local Authority in relation to:- Heat Treated Milk.. NIL.



Number of notifications of tuberculous milk, forwarded to Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. Results of Ministry investigations during the year arising from notifications by the Local Authority.

No. of Veterinary inspections.....0  
No. of cases where animals seized under Tuberculosis Order 1938.. 0  
No. of animals seized.....0  
No. of cases reported negative, animals sold prior to investigation 0  
No. of cases reported negative, No animals seized 0

Meat supply.

Slaughtering within the district re-commenced on the 4th July, 1954 at one slaughterhouse which had been licensed for the purposes.

MEAT INSPECTION RECORD 1955.

ADDRESS OF SLAUGHTERHOUSE

PRINCESS STREET

ACTION TAKEN WITH REGARD TO:-

1. Ante-Mortem Inspection. NIL.  
2. Post-Mortem Inspection. All Animals inspected.

CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

	Cattle excluding Cows.	Cows	Calves.	Sheeps & Lambs.	Pigs
Number killed (if known)....	22	23	1	NIL	NIL
Number inspected.....	22	23	1	NIL	NIL
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT T.B. Whole carcasses condemned..	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.....	5	4	NIL	NIL	NIL
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than T.B.	22.7%	17.4%	NIL	NIL	NIL
<u>TUBERCULOSIS ONLY.</u> Whole carcasses condemned.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.....	2	2	NIL	NIL	NIL
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.....	9.1	8.7	NIL	NIL	NIL
No. of CARCASSES found to be affected with cysticercus bovis.....					NIL



Special examinations of Food Stocks or Consignments during the Year.

Type of Food.	Quantity Examined	Quantity Condemned
Ham.....	42 lbs 8 oz.	42 lbs. 8 oz.
Tongue.....	12 lbs.	12 lbs.
Frozen Egg.....	14 lbs.	14 lbs.
Bacon.....	30 lbs.	19 lbs.
Cake.....	26 lbs. 8 oz.	26 lbs. 8 oz.
Cheeses.....	37 lbs. 8 oz.	37 lbs. 3 oz.
Sausages, Fishcakes etc.....	8 lbs.	8 lbs.
Flour.....	35 lbs.	35 lbs.
Cereals.....	7 lbs.	1 lb. 4 ozs.
Tins of fruit etc.....	40 tins	47 lbs. 4 oz.

Total weight condemned 243 lbs.

Methods of Disposal of Condemned Foods.

- A. Tinned goods by deep burial.
- B. Others by burning

No. of Food Premises By Type of Business.

	Year Ending 1955.	No.
General grocers .....		22
Greengrocers and Fruiterer .....		5
Fishmongers.....		1
Butchers.....		8
Bakers and/or confectioners.....		10
Fried fish shops.....		7
Shops selling mainly sugar confectionery, minerals, ice-cream etc..		6
Licensed premises, clubs, restaurants, cafes, snack bars and similar catering establishments.....		12
Others.....		2

TOTAL..... 73

No of Food Premises by type, Registered under Sect 14 of  
The Food & Drugs Act or under Local Acts.

Type of Business	No. Registered at 31.12.54.	No. of Ins. actions of registered Premises during the yr.
Bakers.....	4	29
Butchers.....	5	16
Cooked Meats.....	1	3
Fish and Chip Fryers.....	7	26
Grocery.....	6	14
Greengrocery.....	1	3
Mixed Business.....	7	24
<b>Totals.</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>115</b>



ICE CREAM.

Food and Drugs Act, 1933, Sect. 14 and the  
Ice Cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations, 1949.

All premises registered for the manufacture or sale of Ice Cream were regularly inspected. Premises and storage accommodation were found to be kept in a satisfactory hygienic condition.

Number of Premises registered to manufacture Ice Cream.... 0

Number of Premises registered to sell Ice Cream.....12

FOOD POISONING.

There were no cases of food poisoning during the year.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

These are administered by the County Council.



RODENT CONTROL.  
PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS, ACT 1949.  
1. Prevalence of rats and mice.

Type of Property.	Total	Notified by Occupier	Otherwise.	Recorded.	Rats Major	Rats Minor	Mice Only.
Local Authority Property.	11.	2	9	5	0	0	0
Dwelling Houses.	1418.	7	66	29	4	25	2
Business Premises.	286.	2	17	2	0	0	3
Agricultural Property.	18.	3	3	6	3	0	3
TOTAL	1743	14	95	40	8	4	30

Measures of control by Local Authority.

Type of Property.	Number inspected	Number of inspections served, Sec 4	Number of Notices served, Sec 4	Number of Treatments carried out Under arrangement with owner.	Under Section 5 (1)	No. of Blocks.	Block treatment of Properties in different occupancies under Sec 6 (1), or by informal arrangements.
L.A. Property				Rats	Rats	No. of Surface Assoc'd. Sewers	No. of separate Manholes occupancies Treated
Dwelling Houses.	42	0	0	5	0	0	0
Business Premises.	321	0	0	25	0	0	0
Agricultural Propn	180	0	0	2	0	0	0
	38	0	0	3	0	0	0
121	704	Nil	Nil	12	30	Nil	Nil

In addition two maintenance treatments of the sewers in the District involving the baiting and poisoning of approximately 118 manholes were carried out with much success.



HOUSING STATISTICS.

, Number of new houses erected during the year:

	Prefabricated Houses	Traditional Permanent Houses.
	Temporary.	Permanent.
1. By the Local Authority	0	0
2. By other Local Authorities.	0	0
3. By other bodies or Persons.	0	0

Inspection of Dwelling Houses.

1 - Inspection.

(1) (a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts.).....	325
	(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose.....	568
(2) (a)	Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925.....	0
	(b) Number of Inspections made for the purpose.....	0
(3)	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.....	178
(4)	Number of dwelling-houses (excluding those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.....	104

2 - Remedy of defects without service of Formal Notices.

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers.....	56
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Proceedings under Public Health Act.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	16
(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices.	
(a) By owners.....	16
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners.....	0

Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

Proceedings under Section 9, 10, and 16 of the Housing 1936 Act.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.....	0
(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-	
(a) By owners.....	0
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners.....	0



Proceedings under Sec. 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:

1. Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made..... 0
2. Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders..... 0

Houses not included in Clearance Areas:-

	No. of Houses.	Persons Displaced.
(1) Houses demolished or closed during year:		
(a) Housing Act, 1936-		
(i) Demolished as a result of formal procedure (Section 11) .....	Nil.	Nil.
(ii) Closed in pursuance of an undertaking given by owners under Section 11 and still in force...		
(iii) Parts of building closed (Section 12)		
(b) Housing Act, 1949-		
(i) Closed as a result of closing orders under Sections 3 (1) and 3 (2)....		
(c) Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953 -		
(i) Closed as a result of closing orders under Sections 10(1) and 11 (2).....	10	42.

Housing Act, 1936, Part IV - Overcrowding:

(1) (a) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year.....	<u>Estimated</u> .....	56
(b) Number of families dwelling therein <u>Estimated</u> .....		86
(c) Number of persons dwelling therein <u>Estimated</u> .....		399
(2) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year.....		3
(3) (a) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year.....		11
(b) Number of persons concerned in such cases.....		72

Housing Act 1949 - 54.

Improvement Grants etc.

(a) (1) Number of schemes submitted		
(a) by private individuals.....	8	
(b) by Local Authority.....		Nil.
(ii) Number of dwelling-houses affected.....		8
(b) (i) Number of schemes approved:		
(a) of private individuals.....	5	
(b) of Local Authority.....		Nil.



(ii) Number of dwelling-houses affected..... 6  
Number of additional separate dwellings provided..... 0

(c) Any other action taken..... Two applications were refused.

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